IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Title: CHEMICAL REAGENTS CAPABLE OF SELECTIVE ATTACHMENT TO AND

REACTION WITH PEPTIDES AND PROTEINS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111, AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the PTO on . A 3-month extension of time is requested, and the fee therefore accompanies this response. Please amend the application as indicated herein.

The *Listing of the Claims* begins on page 2 of this document. Amendments to the claims are reflected therein. With this amendment, claims 5 and 27 have been canceled, and claims 1, 2, 8, 19-22, 28, and 32 have been amended.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this document.